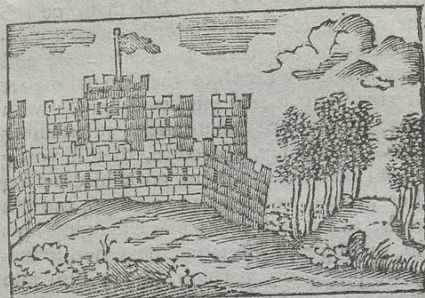


the situation is enchanting beyond my power of description: and for this reason I imagine, as well as for the constant serenity of the air, and the many wonderful curiosities which are to be seen, the building is called the *Enchanted Castle*: for, to speak the truth, I never saw any thing to equal it, whether for beauty or majesty, even in the wildest and most extravagant romances. Since I have been in England I have taken the trouble, or rather the pleasure, to draw a plan of it; which Mr. Newbery, I hope, though I am but an indifferent draughtsman, will be so kind as to insert in my little history when he sends it to the press. But I forgot to tell you, that in the whole island there is not such a thing as a dog, nor yet any stags, or other beasts of chase. The governor will by no means allow it;

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for being (as he really is, though a giant) a very mild and tender-hearted person, he cannot endure, I suppose, that the blood of innocent animals should be shed for mere diversion; or else he thinks, perhaps, that if these creatures were to be suffered in the island they would spoil his gardens, of which he is indeed most remarkably fond. He would likewise be very angry if any person whatever should offer to disturb his birds, and much more

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